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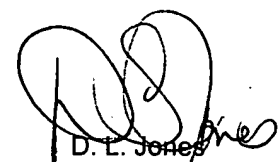
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NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT


1. The reply filed on 7/31/06 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant was respectfully requested to elect a single disclosed species for initial examination, not a generic group of species. Thus, Applicant is once again respectfully requested to elect a single disclosed species. Hence, Applicant needs to identify a specific gene expression being compared between the groups. For example, Tables 4-5 disclose a multitude of possible gene expressions from which Applicant may select. Also, Applicant is respectfully requested to identify a specific test compound as the candidate intervention. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to D. L. Jones whose telephone number is (571) 272-0617. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri., 6:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Hartley can be reached on (571) 272-0616. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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